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Applicants: Alberto L. Mendoza

Serial No.: 09/082,112 Group Art Unit: 1645

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For : METHOD AND VACCINE FOR TREATMENT OF

PYTHIOSIS INSIDIOSI IN HUMANS AND

LOWER ANIMALS

Examiner : S. Turner

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D. C. 20231

### RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 16, 1999, the Applicant traverses the restriction requirement. The restriction requirement is inconsistent with the restriction requirement (copy enclosed) in the parent application Serial No. 08/895,940, filed July 17, 1997, of which the present application is a division containing only Claims 16 to 25. Claims 1 to 15 are not even pending in this application, pursuant to an Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.111 (copy enclosed) filed with the present application.

In order to <u>technically</u> comply with the request, Applicant elects claims 18 to 25 in Group I, with traverse. In no sense should this be taken as

agreement that Claims 16 to 17 in Group II, which also relate to a method of treatment, should not be grouped with Claims 18 to 25. Reconsideration is requested.

Respectfully,

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Enclosure: Election/Restriction from S.N. 08/895,940

Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.111 filed 5/20/98

Serial Number: 08/895,940

Art Unit: technology center

## **DETAILED ACTION**



## . Election/Restriction

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Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

Group I Claims 1-8, drawn to an injectable vaccine of Pythium insidiosum, classified in

Class 424, subclass 274.1.

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Group II Claims 9-15, drawn to a method of preparing an injectable vaccine, classified in 30, subclass 412

356 Class 530, subclass 412.

Group III Claims 16-25, drawn to a method of treatment of Pythiosis in mammal using proteins and admixture of intracellular and extracellular proteins of Pythium insidiosum, classified in Class 514, subclass 2.

The inventions are patentably distinct, each from the other, because:

Inventions II and III are materially different methods requiring different reagents which are capable of separate manufacture, use or sale.

Inventions I and III are related as product and processes of use. The inventions can be shown to be distinct if either or both of the following can be shown: (1) the process for using the product as claimed can be practiced with another materially different product or (2) the product as claimed can be used in a materially different process of using that product (M.P.E.P. § 806.05(h)). In the instant case, the product of Group I have uses in materially different processes such as in detection.

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#### **EXTENSION OF TERM**

NOTE: "Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) — If a timely and complete response has been filed after a Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.

If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely-filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).

NOTE: See 37 C.F.R. § 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings, and 37 C.F.R. § 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (fees: 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4) for the total number of months checked below:

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(b) Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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#### **FEE DEFICIENCY**

NOTE: If there is a fee deficiency and there is no authorization to charge an account, additional fees are necessary to cover the additional time consumed in making up the original deficiency. If the maximum, six-month period has expired before the deficiency is noted and corrected, the application is held abandoned. In those instances where authorization to charge is included, processing delays are encountered in returning the papers to the PTO Finance Branch in order to apply these charges prior to action on the cases. Authorization to charge the deposit account for any fee deficiency should be checked. See the Notice of April 7, 1986, (1065 O.G. 31-33).

6. III If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

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